STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1192

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 1 2015

RE: S.C.R. No. 78 S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Tourism and International Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 78 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII SISTER-STATE COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE INITIATION OF A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE OF GOA IN THE COUNTRY OF INDIA AND FORWARD ITS RECOMMENDATION TO THE LEGISLATURE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 229-3, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, FOR FURTHER ACTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the Hawaii Sister-State Committee evaluate and develop recommendations for the initiation of a sister-state relationship with the state of Goa in the country of India.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from thirteen individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii and Goa are coastal states with diverse ecosystems, populations, cultures, languages, and religions that value economic growth and sustainability that benefit all residents. Your Committee further finds that a sister-state relationship between Hawaii and Goa would promote mutual commerce and trade in areas such as tourism and the film industry, and would increase the prospective opportunity for

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economic, social, cultural, educational, and environmental exchanges.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism and International Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 78, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 78, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Tourism and International Affairs,

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GILBERT KAHELE, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Tourism and International Affairs TSI

Bill / Resolution No.:*  SCR 78	Committee Referral:		Date: 30MAR 15		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members	******	Aye	Aye (WI	R) Nay	Excused
KAHELE, Gilbert (C)					
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)					
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.					
TOKUDA, Jill N.					
SLOM, Sam					
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TOTAL		3			2
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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